GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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NATIONAL COUNCIL ON AIDS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up a National Council on AIDS under the Chairmanship of the Prime Minister;

(b) if so, the details of its main functions;

(c) the plans of the Council to check the spread of AIDS in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to c) : A National Council on AIDS is proposed to be setup under the Chairmanship of the Hon`ble Prime Minister to mainstream HIV/AIDS issues in all Ministries and Departments by considering it as a development challenge and not merely a public health problem. It will help to expand multisectoral response to HIV/AIDS in the country with special reference to youth and the workforce. The progress under the National AIDS Control Programme will be reviewed by the Council from time to time.